4. In order to augment the resources of the State Governments, towards relief measures, Government of India however, has sanctioned advance releases 'of the central share of the CRF and certral share of Calamity Relief Fund for 1992-93 amounting to Rs. 63.25 crores andd Rs. 33.00 crores to Gujarat and Maharashtra respectively and 3 instalments amounting to Rs. 17.43 crores and Rs. 20.81 crores to Kerala and Madhya Pradesh respectively have been released in advance. Two quarterly instalments of Central share Of CRF amounting to Rs. 10.12 crores, Rs. 0.37 crore and Rs. 46.50 crores have been released to the States of Karnataka, Manipur and Rajasthan respectively.

5. Government of India has released its second and third quarterly instalments of Calamity Relief Fund for the year 1992-93 amounting to Rs. 33.75 crores, in advance to Government of Uttar Pradesh for meeting the expenditure on relief and rehabilitation, in the wake of earth quack.

6. Additional allocation of rice and wheat made by Central Government to drought affected States during 1991 and 1992 (upto June), is indicated in the Statement below:—

(in 00) MT)

S. No	State	Allocation made duri.g the year 1991		1992	
		Rice	Wheat	Rice	Wheat
1	Gujarat	324·00	944·30	168·00	390·30
2	Madhya Pradesh	310·00	479·50	183·92	225·00
3	Karnataka	602·0	496·00	352·50	176·00
4	Manipur	100·50	35·70	42·67	15·70
5	Rajashtan	42·20	957·50	23·00	474·00
6	Maharashtra	570·00	1390·00	419·00	603·00

Poultry Development

271. SHRI P. UPENDRA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have identified poultry development as one of the thrust areas for the Eihgth Plan; and

(b) if so, what are the salient features of the future programme for development of poultry industry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K. C. LENKA1 (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

To give a. thrust to poultry development programmes during the Eighth Five Year Plan, the following major steps are envisaged:

(i) Improvement in the availability of quality chicks to poultry farmers.

(ii) Ensure adequate supply of different ingredients for poultry feed as reasonable pricas.

(iii) For the overall development of poultry, an apex body at the Central level will be constituted.

(iv) Organisation of poultry units on cooperative basis will be encoura-gad to benefit small farmers.

(v) Procurement, marketing, process ing and storage facilities for poultry products will be strengthened.

(vi) Training facilities will be strengthened so that appropriate technology and knowledge is disseminated to workers and farmers on a wide front.

(vii) Diversification programmes will be taken up for production of quails, ducks, turkey, guinea fowl.

(viii) The immense potential of export of poultry products will be fully exploited by providing the required incentives and logistic support.

(ix) Market intervention operations will be expended.

Effect of delayed monsoon

272. SHRI P. UPENDRA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Mtteorological Depsrtment has predicted a late monsoon this year;

(b) if so, whether Kharif-sowing is likely to be delayed, leading to alteration in the crop variety; and

(c) what steps Government are taking to help the farmers in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) Yes. Sir.

(b) Kharif-sowing is likely to be delayed in some parts of the country, especially in areas which ara totally depen dent On rainfall. However, there will be no need of any alteration in crop varieties at this stage.

(c) The Central Government has circulated to the State Governments the guidelines for preparation of Contingency Plan, which can be adopted in the event of delayed or inadequate rainfall.

कृषि की स्थिति के संबंध में भानु प्रताप सिंह समिति

273. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय :** क्या कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) कृषि को उद्योग का दर्जा देने के संबंध में सरकार द्वारा नियुक्त भानु प्रताप सिंह समिति की मुख्य सिफारिशें क्या-क्या हैं ? और

(ख) इन सिफारिशों के संबंध में सरकार की प्रतिक्रिया क्या है ?

कृषि मंत्रालय म राज्य मंत्री (श्री मुल्लापल्ली रामचन्द्रन) : (क) भानु प्रताप सिंह समिति ने कृषि नीतियों और कार्यक्रमों के विभिन्न पहलुओं पर बहुत-सी सिफारिशें की हैं, जिसमें फार्म मूल्य नीति, वैकल्पिक खाद्य सुरक्षा प्रणाली, अधिक उत्पादन के लिए नई नीति, कृषि क्षेत्र में आय तथा रोजगार, कृषि उत्पादों का निर्यात, भूमि तथा जल संसाधनों का बेहतर उपयोग, कृषि को उद्योग घोषित करना तथा राष्ट्रीय कृषि नीति आदि को कवर किया गया है। रिपोर्ट की प्रति संसद पुस्तकालय में उपलब्ध है।

(ख) रिपोर्ट में की गई सिफारिशों पर कार्यवाही की जा रही है।

खाद्यान्नों का उत्पादन

274. **श्री राम जेठमलानी :**
डा० जितेन्द्र कुमार जैन :

क्या कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकार ने वर्ष 1992-93 के दौरान खाद्यान्नों के उत्पादन का लक्ष्य निर्धारित किया है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो मात्रा की दृष्टि से यह लक्ष्य क्या है और रबी और खरीफ की फसलों के लिए अलग-अलग लक्ष्य क्या है ;